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City Council to put proposed charter change on Nov. 4 ballot

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

A proposal to change the Belleville City Charter to eliminate the Civil Service Commission will be on the Nov. 4 General Election ballot, following a unanimous vote by the Belleville City Council on Monday.

Councilman Tom Fielder made the motion and Councilwoman Kim Tindall seconded to adopt a resolution putting the question on the ballot to delete Chapter XVI of the Belleville City Charter entitled Civil Service.

The City Charter was approved by the voters in 1982.

The ballot language, if approved by the Attorney General and Governor for inclusion on the Nov. 4 ballot would read:

[There are currently three (3) positions that are not covered by Collective Bargaining Agreements that are covered by the provisions of the Civil Service system, those being, Police Chief, Director of Public Works/Building Official, and City Clerk.] Shall Chapter XVI, entitled "Civil Service," of the Belleville City Charter be repealed to eliminate a system of Civil Service in the City of Belleville? Yes [] No []

The resolution said "... the City Council has determined that due to the low number of employees that are not covered by Collective Bargaining Agreement and the cost of maintaining a Civil Service system, it would be in the best interest of the City to eliminate the Civil Service Commission."

City Clerk/Treasurer Lisa Long is the only person under Civil Service now, since Director of Public Works/Building Official Keith Boc and Police Chief Gene Taylor have retired.

Mayor Kerreen Conley said if Civil Service is eliminated, Long will be made an at-will employee, as is City Manager Diana Kollmeyer.

The resolution supporting elimination of Civil Service said it would be in the best

interests of the city due to the low number of employees not covered by collective bargaining agreements and the cost of maintaining a Civil Service system.

Under the charter there are three members of the Civil Service Commission that are appointed by the mayor for staggered terms of six-years each.

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Belleville man accused of shooting friend in the face bound over for trial

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Billy Ray Patrick, II, 22, of Belleville has been bound over to circuit court at the Frank Murphy Hall of Justice in Detroit for arraignment on the information at 9 a.m. June 18.

He remains in custody at the Wayne County Jail on \$500,000/10% bond.

Patrick is charged with shooting his friend, Thomas Strunk, 16, in the face with a .22 caliber pistol on May 12 as Strunk stood in his driveway in the 200 block of West Columbia Avenue eating pizza.

The charges are:

- Assault with intent to murder;
- Assault with intent to do great bodily harm less than murder;
- Assault with a dangerous weapon – felonious assault; and
- Weapons – felony firearm.

The victim was the first witness at Patrick's preliminary exam before Chief Judge Tina Brooks Green at 34th District Court in Romulus on June 11.

As Wayne County Assistant Prosecutor Ryan Lukiewski questioned him, Strunk identified Patrick as the person who shot him in the cheek and said he and Patrick had been friends for about six years.

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Independent photo by Rosemary K. Otzman

The Extreme Water Sports show on Belleville Lake just off Horizon Park after the parade on Saturday was a big hit. Many people on the shore and on crafts in the lake watched the water fun.



Independent photo by Robert Mytych

The Shriners entertained the crowd at Saturday's Strawberry Festival Parade.

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SECOND FRONT PAGE

Belleville planners OK two new signs, one more still needs work

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

At the end of the City of Belleville Planning Commission meeting June 12, Commissioners Henry Kurczewski and Mike Renaud commented that approving two out of three signs that evening wasn't a bad record for their commission.

But, Commissioner Renaud added, "They had to take out a strip to meet the square feet needed, but we chose not to question that."

He referred to the Davenport Plaza sign.

The commission approved signs for the Belleville Church of God on Hull Road and the Davenport Plaza on East Columbia Avenue.

But, the commission did not approve Sam Kassab's proposed sign for his Lake Plaza at 510-524 Main Street.

Commissioners also told Kassab that he had to come back for his site plan approvals after complying with what planning consultant Jill Bahm had spelled out to him a couple of meetings ago.

Bahm was not present at the June 12 meeting.

This June 12 meeting was at least the fifth time Kassab has been before this planning commission seeking various approvals for upgrades to the parking lot and buildings in place.

June 12 was his second sign review and this time the size was in keeping with the ordinance, but he did not identify all the sign materials and colors necessary before approval.

Bahm in her written recommendation had noted that the sign placement he proposed would interfere with sight lines at the driveway, so Kassab did agree to a 4-foot setback, which Bahm had recommended previously.

But he has yet to comply with the conditions set forth by the commission when it approved his site plan with conditions on March 13. The commission required specifics of his landscaping and his proposed parking layout and entryway before he can proceed.

After Kassab left the meeting room, Planning Commission Chairman Steve Jones rubbed his hands across his face in frustration, saying the commission is trying to help Kassab and Jones doesn't know what else the commission can do to move Kassab's project along.

One official said Kassab seems to think he can negotiate, but there are ordinances that must be followed.

Church of God sign

The Church of God sign at 45170 Hull Road is a one-sided ground sign that will

be 4 feet from the ground to the top of the sign. The base is 12 inches high and the sign area is 3 feet high by 8 feet wide, for a total area of 24 square feet. It will be placed 48' from the center of Hull Road. The sign will be illuminated and a separate permit is required for that.

Davenport Plaza sign

The Davenport sign meets the size and height requirements for the city ordinance, but by using some special tactics.

The ground sign is 10.3 feet from the ground to the top of the sign. The base is 1.7 feet high and the sign area is 8.7 feet high x 7.3 feet wide for a total area of 63.3 square feet, according to Bahm's review.

The sign will be comprised of a block base, limestone cap, and a brick background. The individual sign panels are made of cut stainless steel and can change when the business tenants change. The sign will not be illuminated.

"I wonder how Jill could recommend approval," said Commissioner Renaud, referring to planning consultant Bahm, who had sent her recommendation for approval, but was not at the meeting.

Renaud pointed out that the Davenport sign is two-sided, but Bahm did not mention that in her written comments.

Also, the sign features "strange shapes to come up with the square footage" because the sign would have been too big otherwise.

Renaud said they are not "measuring swooshes" to get the measurements they need to stay under the sign requirements. The sign would have been too large if they measured the whole sign area, so the swooshes between two sections of the sign were not counted.

He said if the rest of the commission wasn't bothered by that, so be it.

He also noted the placement of the sign blocks the view for drivers in the first two parking spaces who can't see oncoming traffic when backing out.

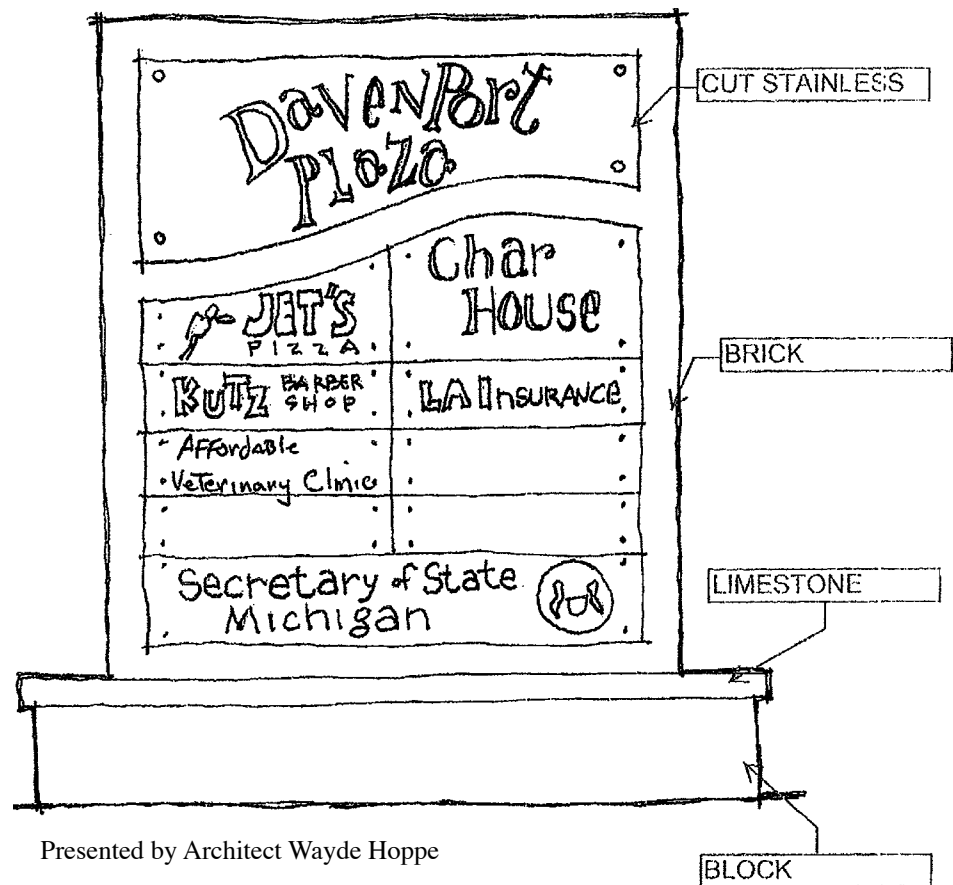
A Davenport representative said that's just like when you are in a big parking lot and you are parked next to a van. You can't see what's coming when backing out.

"That's something you can't control," Renaud said. "This is something we can control."

Davenport's architect Wade Hoppe said, "It is a disadvantage..." But, when deciding where to put the sign, he said they considered the view from vehicles moving in and out of the parking lot and decided this was the best placement.

It was pointed out the sign would be just half the length of the sparking spots.

Commissioner John Juriga then made



Presented by Architect Wayde Hoppe

a motion to accept the sign proposal and Commission Matthew Wagner seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

City Manager Diana Kollmeyer introduced Rick Rutherford to the

commission. Rutherford was hired as a part-time building official by the city to do some of the work formerly done by DPS Director Keith Boc, who retired.

Sumpter Planners set public hearing on Medical MJ ordinance

By Rosemary K. Otzman
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A public hearing will be held at 7:05 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 14, at the Sumpter Township Planning Commission to discuss an overlay zoning district to allow medical marijuana Provisionary Centers in certain commercial/industrial areas of the township.

The commission expects to have a large number of people interested in attending the hearing. The commission will discuss the proposed ordinance and make a recommendation to the township board which would make the final decision.

The township board also will be considering a general law ordinance on medical marijuana that is being put together by the police department and the township attorney.

At its regular meeting June 12, the commission discussed the proposed ordinance for about an hour before setting the public hearing date.

Present to explain the details were planning consultant Laura Kreps of Carlisle/Wortman Associates and Sumpter Police Detective John Toth, who has been

working with the issue for months.

Det. Toth said the Michigan House has passed a bill that is now in the Senate making way for provisionary centers or dispensaries that turns medical marijuana management over to the local communities.

"Other communities have been doing this for years," said Toth, pointing out the original growers' ordinance was written by Ypsilanti. "Instead of sitting there and doing nothing, we are moving forward," Toth said.

"We are not the first one. This is not new," he said. "It's all over the United States of America."

"We have people coming to Sumpter Township," said Toth. "We had a shooting that involved an unlicensed medical marijuana grower."

He said one shot the other and ran off. The police used Facebook to get a sighting in Milan where the missing shooter was recognized. The man who called police told them the person they were seeking took a cab to a Greyhound bus station. They got there too late to catch him before he left, but U.S. Marshals arrested him

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OPINIONS

Editorial

VBT Board considers Waste Management deal

At Monday's work/study meeting of the Van Buren Township Board of Trustees, the board discussed a proposal from Waste Management landfill that would help clean up the City of Detroit.

The proposal is for "special waste" designation for the light debris from the houses being torn down in Detroit. That means rather than pay VBT 86 cents per cubic yard dumped, they want to pay 50 cents per ton.

Waste Management said it would get \$200 in fees per ton and if they had to pay \$86, that wouldn't work. There was talk about cubic yards vs. tons.

Trustee Jeff Jahr pointed out what they were asking is to reduce the royalty fees being paid the township while filling up the landfill faster than expected.

Jack Rowe from WM said they still are expecting 12-13 years of landfill life there. They'd like to know the board's decision by the end of the month so they can get in on the contracts.

But, township board members didn't like being rushed. Trustee Phil Hart said he would like a closed session to discuss the details.

"I don't see the rush," agreed Jahr. "I don't know if 50 cents a ton is good. Maybe we should get 75 cents."

The board plans to study the proposal and set up a special meeting of the board in closed-door session, or maybe just a subcommittee. They plan to have a decision by the end of the month.

EXTRA THINGS I KNOW

...By Rosemary K. Otzman

Belleville Police Chief Hal Berriman said that Strawberry Festival was a wonderful week end. He said there was one incident late at the St. Anthony beer tent where two guys got in a fight, but that was quickly ended.

He said there were lost children who were found quickly and after the festival ended there was a problem with a juvenile.

No problems, otherwise.

The weather was beautiful and there were lots of special events and entertainments. One man complained about not having music again this year.

Another person said she really enjoyed meeting Justin Verlander's parents and they were so down to earth. She bought a book, too, and they autographed it.

Belleville Fire Fighter Brian Blackburn said at the festival there was "an electrical issue with water runoff upstream," but he did not elaborate.

Councilman Tom Fielder, who is president of the festival, said they will debrief in about a month or so and anyone with suggestions should tell him so he can add it to his list.

Van Buren Township Clerk Leon Wright has offered his deputy clerk position to VBT Elections Clerk Joanne Montgomery and she has accepted. She should be sworn in sometime next week.

Current VBT Deputy Clerk Kathy Cline is retiring as of June 27 and Joanne will take over then. Joanne currently is elections clerk in the clerk's office and a help-wanted posting has gone out for that position since she'll be moving up to deputy clerk.



At the June 12 meeting of the City of Belleville Planning Commission, City manager Diana Kollmeyer introduced Rick Rutherford to the commission. Rutherford is doing some of the work that the former DPS Director Keith Boc did.

Commissioner John Juriga asked Rutherford if he had been a student of his when Juriga taught shop class in the Romulus Schools.

Rutherford confirmed that 40 years ago he was in Juriga's shop class and crafted a pantry that is still good and being used 40 years later. "And, I only got a B+ on that," Rutherford complained.

Juriga's face turned red at the unexpected comment and he was laughing, but speechless.

A reader dropped by to ask if anyone has considered the air pollution that will result from the Costco truck depot planned on Belleville Road at the north border of the township.

He said his wife has COPD and has trouble breathing. He said he had worked as a truck driver, driving diesels, and he knows how bad they smell. He lives on West Huron River Drive, near Pine Creek golf course, and he said he knows the smell will come that far from the new truck depot. He said truckers will keep their diesel engines running for long periods as they wait in the line of 100 or 200 trucks, because it's hard

to start them up again.

I haven't heard anyone talk about the air quality at a truck depot at any of the Van Buren Township meetings.

Belleville City Councilwoman Kim Tindall reports that her daughter, PV2 Aimee Tipper, is in Korea now and Kim did get to see her before she shipped out, after all. And, her daughter is happy to be there, Kim reports. Kim wants to thank all the people in the community who gave her support and asked questions about Aimee since I wrote about it a couple weeks ago.

Aimee is a 2010 graduate of Belleville High School.

Mary Talaga, who has been the crossing guard for Elwell School for more than 50 years, told the Belleville City Council on Monday that she really appreciated the fire fighters. She said she had an incident and drove to the fire hall. The fire fighters were meeting inside and she interrupted their meeting. They insisted she go to the hospital and so she did and stayed overnight. But she was back at her crossing guard post the next day.



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Letters

Let me tell you about Clara Januszyk

To the Editor:

On March 13, 2014, Sumpter Township lost the last of the pioneers that built the Sumpter Roller Rink. Clara Adele Donski Januszyk, wife of the late John Januszyk, died after a long battle with Alzheimer's. Clara was 97 years old.

Early on, Clara and her husband John envisioned a place they could create where every one of all age and race could come, be safe and have fun, not only for Sumpter, but the surrounding areas as well.

Starting their family legacy in 1940, together John and Clara built a roller rink and family including four children, John (Ju Ju), Frank (Honey), Virginia (Peachie), and Stanley (Brownie). As each grew they worked both on the family farm and the roller rink.

A Sumpter police officer, Terry Williams, was hired for rink security and not only did he watch out for trouble, but he also helped the skaters tie their laces and also picked up skaters from the floor whenever they fell. He made sure you always made it to the Soda Fountain where Peachie was for a soothing beverage. Terry was always there for everyone.

Clara has had many challenges through her life. In 1954 Clara's husband John had a cerebral hemorrhage leaving him paralyzed using a wheel chair and sometimes a cane at the mere age of 44. And in 1956, she had to endure the loss of her eldest son John (Ju Ju) at the age of 21 to a terrible car accident. But through the power and support of family and community she continued on.

During the years that followed, the rink was a place where many met their boyfriends, girlfriends and future spouses. What a happy place Clara and John had

created. A place where the commitment to family, safety and equality for all was very important.

Clara suffered other losses. In 1982, her husband John passed away. And, in 1987, her youngest son, Stanley (Brownie), died unexpectedly. Clara was 71 years old at that time. By this time, with Alzheimer's setting in, the dream she and John had worked for was complete and the sparkle in her eyes was gone. Her grandchildren came to help as they could with both caring for her and the rink. The Roller Rink is still open, under new owners now. A whole new generation of skaters carries on. What was a dream/vision 74 years ago still continues on.

Clara and John live on in the hearts of their children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren. And all of them know of Clara's resilience. No matter the obstacle she always overcame it and succeeded, most likely due to her family upbringing and faith.

My mother Helen (Clara's sister) always said that "Clara is a tough old bird." As were her siblings.

It has been said that it's not how long we live, but how we live that makes a difference and Clara made a difference. Dreams do come true.

Virginia Pokrywki Short (Clara's niece)

Facts and dates from: Virginia (Peachie) Januszk Williams and Connie Januszk Bailey (granddaughter)

Thank you for all the bottles and cans

To the Editor:

This is a huge "Thank You" from the Army Cadet who collected bottles and cans in Victory Park on June 4.

Despite the rain, I appreciate all those who came out to support me and I enjoyed conversing with those who stayed to discuss my future.

Your bottles and cans, along with monetary donations, will help defer half the cost of my annual training in Kentucky.

I also would like to give special thanks to the city of Belleville for letting me use the park as my drop-off point. I am very fortunate to live in a community that is so generous and believes in my future.

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Band members intrude into festival parading

To the Editor:

My family and I were watching the parade near Belleville High School, where it began. Prior to the end of the parade, we noticed BHS band members were returning. We were very disappointed in many of the students as they were cutting off participants from the parade by walking directly through the middle of it as well as walking in front of spectators on both sides of the street blocking their views.

We thought this behavior was very disrespectful and rude. One of the students even made a remark to a woman in the parade when she commented that they should not be walking through it.

We were wondering if anyone else watching the parade in this area agreed. Shouldn't we expect more out of these students that are selected to represent their high school and community? Or, all students in general?

When did respect and common courtesy get thrown to the wayside?

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Obituaries



Ethel Adkins

ETHEL ADKINS

(July 1, 1927 - June 10, 2014)

Ethel Adkins, of Chelsea, Michigan, age 86, passed away on Tuesday, June 10, 2014, at the Chelsea Retirement Community Towsley Village. She was born on July 1, 1927, in Middlesboro, Kentucky, the daughter of Shelby and Della (Williams) Wilson.

Ethel had worked as a quality control coordinator at General Motors for 32 years and she had been involved with the Romulus Post of the VFW Ladies Auxiliary. She loved to cook, worked in catering for 15 years, and made award-winning pound cake. She was also a social activities coordinator for her church and enjoyed visiting with people. She was a gardener and her yard was like a museum. Her hobbies also included playing bingo and dominos, but faith and family were most important to her, and she adored her grandchildren.

She is survived by her husband, Morris J. Adkins; her children: Carolyn (Joe) Himes, Howard (Dale) Henegar, Sharon (Ron) Martinsky, Joel Adkins, and Marsha Bartley, and son-in-law Dennis Melosh; 12 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild; and her siblings: Marge Stevens, Herman Wilson, and Betty DeBenedet.

She was preceded in death by Morris' two daughters Nancy Adkins and Jeanie Melosh, her parents, and her siblings Hobert, Jack, Vernon, and George Wilson, and Onalee Russell. A Funeral Service was held at 2 p.m. on Friday, June 13, 2014, at the Chelsea Retirement Community Chapel with Pastor Adam Summers officiating. The family received friends at the Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home in Chelsea on Thursday from 6-8 p.m. and on Friday from noon until the time of service. Interment took place at Cadillac Memorial Gardens West in Westland. Expressions of sympathy may be made to the Alzheimer's Association.



Joan Healy Pendry

JOAN (MARKEN) HEALY PENDRY

(January 2, 1942 - May 27, 2014)

Joan Wilma (Marken) Healy Pendry, age 72, of Belleville, passed away peacefully on May 27, 2014 shortly after being diagnosed with lung cancer.

She was preceded in death by her husband Gary Pendry, her mother Shirley Lavern Marken, and her father Donald G. Marken, a sister Joyce and a brother Don.

She is survived by her loving son Todd Marken; her grandchildren Angela (James) Farr and Brandon (Katie) Marken; and three great-grandchildren. She is also survived by five sisters, Georgia (Don), Peggy (Roy), Sherry, Vickey (Keith), and Robin (Gary); three brothers, John, Ted and Richard (Marty), along with many loving nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Cremation has taken place. Joan was known for her incredible sense of humor, strength, and her love for her family. She also had a special place in her heart for animals. She adored her dogs Bridget and Gidget.

A memorial tribute and celebration of her life will take place on Thursday, July 3, 4 p.m. at the First Baptist Church of Canton, 44500 Cherry Hill Road, Canton, MI 48187.



Travis "T-Bag" Grablick

TRAVIS 'T-BAG' GRABLICK

(February 27, 1989 - June 15, 2014)

Travis Neil "T-Bag" Grablick, age 25, of Belleville, MI, passed away doing what he loved, riding his motorcycle, on Sunday, June 15, 2014. He was born February 27, 1989 in Dearborn, MI, son of Albert Lee & Debra Kay (Calhoun) Grablick.

He was a 2008 graduate of Belleville High School. He was a Heating & Cooling apprentice for Keep It In The 70s. He was a member of the Jokers Bike Club, Sumpster. He loved riding and working on motorcycles. He enjoyed tattooing, fishing, camping. He loved being a dad, entertaining his daughter, especially trips to the park. He was a great son who helped everyone he could.

Travis is survived by his loving companion of 5 years, Penny DeCapo, his 2 1/2 year old daughter Eevee Elizabeth Grablick, both of Lincoln Park, MI; father Albert (Shirley) Grablick, mother Debra (Buddy Hamrick) Grablick, all of Belleville; maternal grandparents Larry & Lora Calhoun of Newport, MI; brother Tim (Jina) Grablick of Saline, MI; sister Amanda Grablick of Belleville; step-brother Adam (Chrissy) Brooklier of Hazel Park, MI; nieces & nephews, twins Nicholas & Autumn, Violet, John, Natalie, Macie & Aiden, also numerous aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. He was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents William & Majelle Grablick.

Visitation will be 1-5 PM Thursday, June 19, 2014 with a 5:00 PM Funeral Service at David

C. Brown Temporary Viewing & Funeral Chapel, 500 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville. Deacon Peter Cornell will officiate. Cremation rites will be accorded.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions to his daughter Eevee Grablick would be greatly appreciated. Please sign his on-line guest book and share a story for his family to treasure at www.davidcbrownfh.com.



Kathy Ilene Jensen

KATHY ILENE JENSEN

(February 6, 1944 - June 11, 2014)

Kathy Ilene Jensen, age 70, of Belleville, MI, June 11, 2014. Beloved wife of Kenneth L. Jensen, Sr. Loving mother of Patrick L. Jensen, Jennifer L. (Craig) Bell, Kenneth L. (Tammy) Jensen, Jr., Scott A. (Lisa) Jensen and Kathleen A. (Dean) Springer. Dearest grandmother of 15 and great-grandmother of 6. She is also survived by her siblings Louentha (Dennis) Carlsen, Jane (Kenneth) Stich and Thomas Tennant of Kenosha, WI. She is preceded in death by her parents Claude and Loretta Tennant and 5 siblings.

Visitation was Friday, 1-8 PM at Michigan Memorial Funeral Home, (next to Michigan Memorial Park) 30895 Huron River Dr., Huron Twp., (734) 783-2646. Funeral service was Saturday, In-State, 10 AM, Service, 11 AM at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints,

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More Letters

School Board: Please keep Bright Beginnings

To the Editor:

My 3-year-old granddaughter, Carleigh, was enrolled in the Bright Beginnings, a 3-4-year-old preschool program in Van Buren School District in the 2013-14 school year. Shortly before the end of the school year, it was announced by Superintendent Van Tassel that the program was not being offered by the district for the 2014-15 school year.

Bright Beginnings is a tuition-based program. The district will continue to offer the Great Start Readiness Program (GSRP) which is funded by the State for children at risk with income guidelines.

After learning of this cancellation by the District, several parents/grandparents appeared at the June 9, 2014 school board meeting to voice their concerns regarding the loss of the program. The parents were given the following reasons for the cut of the program: the program lost money for the district, no other school district offered a tuition-based preschool program, and that not all of the preschoolers were going to attend Van Buren School District for kindergarten.

Several of the board members indicated

their desire to have further information and reports on the Bright Beginnings program before cancellation specifically highlighting how the program was marketed. However, board member Martha Toth repeatedly said, "The decision had been made, facts had been given," therefore, her reasoning was that no further information/report was needed or required. It was interesting that at that point in the meeting another school board members made the comment to Ms. Toth that, "Martha, you have lost all hope." To me, this comment suggested that Ms. Toth has a history of being negative on many issues that come before the Board.

If at-risk/income-guideline preschoolers are offered a preschool program, then it should be offered to preschoolers whose parents are willing to pay tuition.

It was requested that the board be given a report on exactly how the Bright Beginnings program had been marketed. We did not learn of this program through a brochure, literature, or notice on the district's website. I called Haggerty School and was informed there was a tuition-based program and that we could enroll Carleigh.

Carleigh was enrolled when she was 3 years old and has blossomed in the program. Carleigh says she has "her friends" now. She was so excited on her school days. Her grandfather and I provide daytime child care for Carleigh and she always sang the songs she learned and told us about her entire day. She loved her friends, the

learning, and the entire experience.

The students of the Bright Beginnings program were driven back and forth by parents/grandparents. No buses were involved for the transporting of students. No paraprofessionals were employed by the District in the class rooms. This was done by all volunteers.

All school districts focus on the "test scores." As one of the parents stated during the board meeting, that by allowing these 3-4 year olds to attend such programs as Bright Beginnings, it will pay dividends in the years to come." Statistics show that children who attend preschool excel in school.

Please help Carleigh and all of her 3-year-old friends (in the program and also those 2 year olds in the area who will be the "new" 3 year olds) enjoy another great year in the Bright Beginnings program by keeping the program in the Van Buren School district.

Carleigh's Mimi -- Diana Cunningham
Cc: School Board Members

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Understanding the Law



By Jason Goldman, Esq.
and Bryan Suliman, Esq.



Let's discuss the legal process for homeowners who are delinquent on their property taxes. In Michigan, property owners with taxes that are 2 years delinquent will be foreclosed and the property can be sold at a public auction.

The following is a summary of the foreclosure process for homeowners who are delinquent on their 2011 property taxes. If you owe taxes from a different year, the process remains the same, except the dates will obviously be adjusted.

In the winter and summer of 2011, the city, township, or county treasurer sent out bills for property taxes. On March 1, 2012, any unpaid property taxes were forwarded to the county treasurer for collection. A 4% administration fee and 1% per month interest were added to the delinquent taxes. On October 1, 2012, a \$15 fee was added to each parcel. On March 1, 2013, the property was forfeited to the county treasurer and more costs and interest were added.

On March 28, 2014, the Circuit Court entered a judgment of foreclosure. Property owners had until March 31, 2013, to redeem their property by paying the taxes, interest, and fees. On April 1, 2014, the property was foreclosed and property owners lost all rights. Title passed to the county treasurer. In September & October 2014, the property will be sold at public auction.

If you are delinquent on your property taxes and would like additional information, we encourage you to speak with your attorney, accountant, or read further by visiting the Wayne County Treasurers website at <http://www.waynecounty.com/treasurer/783.htm>.

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in Tulsa and then he had to be extradited back to Michigan. A bag full of money was involved.

"We're trying to prevent that from happening," Toth said, referring to violence.

Planning Commission Chairwoman Jane Stalmack said before the country had one building code, every state had its own.

"Eventually, we'll be revising this ordinance to comply with a federal ordinance," Stalmack predicted. "We may for once be leaders of the pack."

Toth said marijuana is already being grown in Sumpter because Sumpter is a rural area with farmers. He said in one country block there are three grows and not one is a licensed grower.

Toth said the township board already passed a resolution that gave direction to the police department to handle it.

"You can get a license from the state, but who enforces it?" Toth asked.

He said the township passed an ordinance on Aug. 23, 2011 that allows officials to go into homes and inspect grows. He said the township wants to make sure it is the safest it can be and so there are electrical inspections.

"Not one grower in Sumpter Township had passed the electrical inspection and so they are brought up to code," he said.

"It's here and it's been here for years," Toth said of marijuana growing in Sumpter.

The general ordinance being put together by the township attorney and police will limit the number of provisionary centers in the township to three.

Commissioner Richard Pokerwinski said his son lives in Arizona and he went out to see him. His son took him around to see the marijuana centers and there are many in a small area.

Toth said there is one in Sumpter, but no one in the general public knows where it is. It's been here over a year, he said.

"Do you know how many police runs have been to that place?" he asked. "Zero."

Toth said when he got to that place, the owner could have told him he couldn't come in to check, but he was compliant.

"They are all over this area. One in Sumpter," Toth said, adding that this center is not open now because of a building problem.

Pokerwinski said when he was visiting his son in Arizona, he saw people lined up like they were waiting for a ballgame.

"The way the regulations are proposed in Sumpter Township, you couldn't do that," Toth said.

Toth said he went to visit a dispensary in the City of Ypsilanti, which is next to a clothing store. There are six dispensaries in Ypsilanti with no criminal complaints, Toth said.

He said the dispensary in Ypsilanti was almost like a doctor's office. There were no lines.

He said there are nearly 100 dispensaries in Ann Arbor with no regulations whatsoever.

Commissioner Jim Clark asked if the law will require the marijuana to be checked for pesticides?

Toth said the House Bill 4271 states they can't provide medical marijuana to patients without testing. They can hire transportation to move the marijuana, but that can be regulated by municipalities.

"Instead of waiting, we want to move forward," Toth said. "I've probably gone out on 30 marijuana grow inspections and needed a warrant on only one."

Toth said a young local grower, who is a third or fourth-generation Sumpter resident, is active in the community and everyone at the meeting probably knows him. His network is local.

"I love Sumpter Fest because you can see the members of the community interacting with each other," Toth said.

He said Supervisor Johnny Vawters was getting bombarded by these people and he referred them to the police department.

Toth said DTE will put in a pole for more electrical power for a medical marijuana grower, but won't tell the township about it. He said an electrician may hook it up, but it may not be to code.

When asked about the way the growers are paid, Toth said it's a donation system, to reimburse them for their work and their effort.

"We're not talking about a dispensary," Toth said. "No lines. You'll have a collective."

He explained. Say ten caregivers are in a collective with five patients each. Five times ten equals 50 patients.

Those patients are allowed to be part of a collective and you can go there if your caregiver is a part.

"It is a Provisionary Center, not a dispensary," Toth said.

"Like having a liquor license," said Trustee Alan Bates, who sits on the planning commission.

Toth said the general ordinance proposes Provisionary Centers would be allowed in three different areas of the township. He said they would be chosen by a point system. The general ordinance will provide the locations and language. The zoning ordinance would tell how the township wants it to look and whether it would be a permitted use or a special land use that would require a public hearing.

Five locations are being proposed for the three licenses and as each location is selected it would be retired from the five so only one license would be in each area.

Because of health information privacy laws, "It's a whole different ballgame," said Kreps.

She said whether they can use a process that requires a public hearing needs to be discussed with the township attorney, who was not present at the meeting.

Toth said the values of the areas selected tripled in value in Ypsilanti and the same thing happened in Colorado and Washington State. "It's capitalism," Toth said.

Toth said when the House Bill passes, the state will get 12% sales tax with no work and they will direct the municipalities to manage it. He said one building worth \$100,000 will be worth \$300,000.

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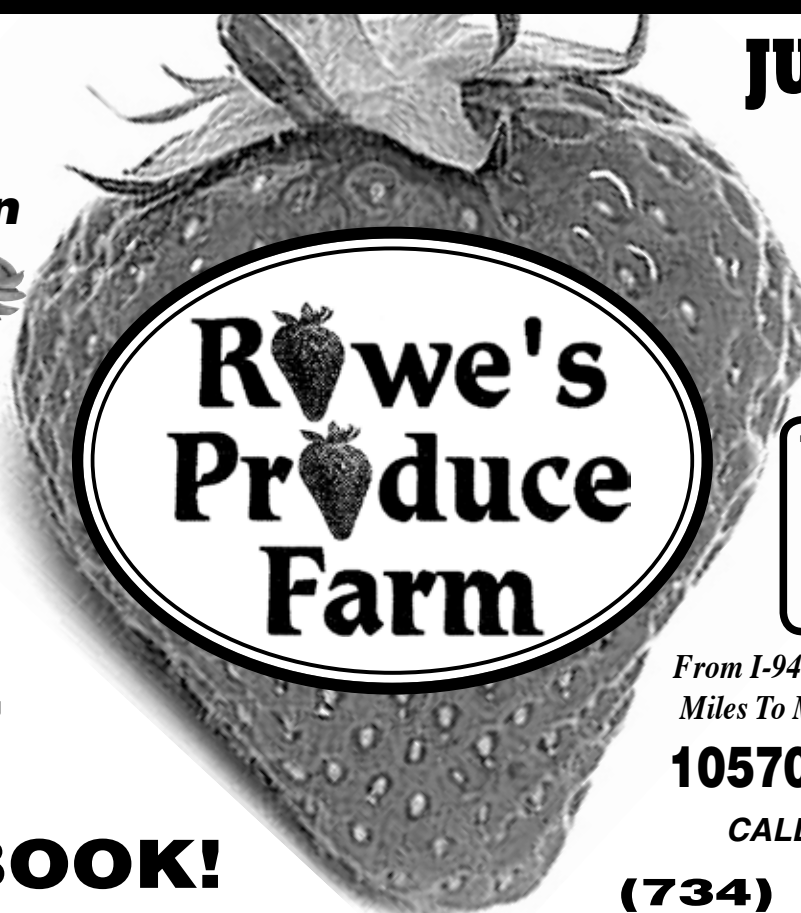
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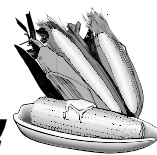


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District Library offers adult classes for Letterboxing, Herbs 101

The Belleville Area District Library announces two upcoming Adult Summer Reading Programs: Letterboxing and Herbs 101.

Letterboxing is at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, June 26, at the library. Do you enjoy puzzles, treasure hunts, crafts, and being outdoors? Letterboxing combines all of these into an activity all ages can enjoy. This hands-on program will introduce participants to the basics to get started, including carving your own stamp.

Herbs 101 will be held at from 10 a.m. to noon, Saturday, June 28, at the library. Learn how to grow, dry, and use herbs. Medical assistant and massage therapist Bonnie Mulliner will introduce you to both edible and drinkable uses of herbs, as well as the use of infused and essential oils in salves.

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BHS foreign student heads back to Taiwan after a year in Belleville

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

Yu-Yoa Bai, 16, is headed back to Taiwan after spending the school year as an exchange student at Belleville High School.

He graduated from BHS on May 12 with 364 other seniors at commencement ceremonies at Eastern Michigan University.

Yu-Yoa Bai calls himself Albert here in the states.

Albert had just finished his sophomore year in Taiwan, but he was put into classes for seniors at BHS, because that's the procedure for international students.

He earned a B+ in physical education and ran track after school. He liked the Animal Science class during the first semester and Horticulture in the second semester and earned a C-. He earned a C+ in World History/Geography and a C- in Library/Film. The school put him in Calculus first, but the host family pointed out he hadn't had the necessary background for that, so he was put in Algebra 2 where he earned a D. The family said he didn't have the background for that class, either.

His host family said Albert was a sophomore placed in classes with seniors and it's amazing he did as well as he did.

Albert plans to be an engineer. He will have to take two more years of high school when he gets back to Taiwan before he graduates there, so this year was mainly to

get an American experience.

His older brother had spent a school year in Minnesota and so Albert's businessman father asked him if he would like to spend a year in America, too. He said he would.

Gene Schulte and his wife Kattia live on Martinsville Road out in the country in Van Buren Township. Gene met Ilene Bosley of Cultural Academic Student Exchange last year at BHS. He and his wife thought it would be a great idea to get an international student and it might help Kattia's children, as well.

Kattia is from Columbia and she and her son Daniel (a student at McBride Middle School) and daughter Sarah (a BHS student) speak Spanish most of the time at home. Gene grew up in Port Hope, MI, so he speaks English. Albert speaks Chinese.

Albert said the strangest part of going to BHS was that everyone spoke English and nobody else spoke Chinese. He had taken some English classes last year in Taiwan after signing up for his trip to Michigan, but his English is weak.

Before joining the Schultes in VBT, Albert spent a month at the Cultural Academic Student Exchange's training in American Culture held in Boston. And, there was a week in New York when foreign students got together. There were only two other Asian students at that gathering, Albert said.

The Schultes gave Albert free room and



Independent photo by Rosemary K. Otzman

The host family for a foreign student from Taiwan at Belleville High School for the past school year was, in back, Gene Schulte, and in front from left Kattia (holding her min-pin Maya) and Daniel with a duck. At right is Yu-Yoa Bai who was called Albert during his visit.

board for the school year and lots of new experiences.

Gene laughs while remembering Albert's first experience with snow. Albert ran outside, took pictures, and sent them home to his family.

Because of electronic devices, Albert was able to talk to his family in Taiwan every day if he wanted to.

The Schultes made sure he had lots of American experiences. They took him to see the Pistons, Shrine Circus, the Frankenmuth Christmas City, Saginaw (where Gene's son graduated from college), and Port Hope, where Gene grew up and his family lives.

In Port Hope Albert got to go snowmobiling and snowboarding. He really liked that.

He went to church with the Schultes and said he goes to temple with his family at home. He learned about the strange American holidays of Thanksgiving and

Halloween, which have no corresponding holidays in Taiwan.

And, he learned about Snow Days. When he was told last winter that there was no school because it was a Snow Day, he had a big smile and was very happy, Gene said. There turned out to be lots of Snow Days last winter.

Albert said seniors didn't have to make up the Snow Days like the other students did, who are attending classes through June 19.

On June 18, Albert was scheduled to fly to Los Angeles, where he was to meet up with his girlfriend from Taiwan who is also an international student in the U.S. Then, the two of them will fly back to Taiwan together.

Those wishing information on international students may contact Van Buren Township resident Illene Bosley at lbosley@sbcglobal.net.



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Belleville City Council's special plan for budget gets out of control

By Rosemary K. Oztman
Independent Editor

It seemed like a good idea at the time, but it turned into a nightmare for the Belleville City Council on Monday.

The clever plan was to just recess the June 2 meeting, rather than adjourn it, and start it up again on June 16 as the June 2 date.

That was because there were still questions about figures in the proposed 2014-15 budget and the law requires that the budget be approved at the first meeting in June.

Mayor Kerreen Conley said on June 2 that it would be no problem and they had done it before to technically comply with the law.

But, on June 16, the budget item was placed at the bottom of the agenda and it was way after the public hearing on the S-2

City Charter

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But, Mayor Conley said all the seats are vacant.

At the last CSC meeting in February, to consider Keith Boc's appeal on his health insurance just before he retired, all three members of the CSC were present: Chairman Michael Loria, Roy Acho, and Don Bluhm. The commission voted unanimously in favor of Boc because the city hadn't changed the written wording in documents.

Immediately after that vote, an upset Loria went back into the city manager chambers to talk with city officials who were angry over the vote.

The city council has never considered the CSC recommendation on Boc in an open meeting.

Since then, Police Chief Taylor also asked for an appeal on his health care costs, but was denied an appeal by the city manager.

Loria has resigned from the CSC. His term was to expire May 31, 2018 when Mayor Conley reappointed him in December 2012.

Acho resigned, as well, saying he was working so hard to reopen his store in Sumpter that he couldn't commit to the CSC any more. Acho's term was to expire May 31, 2016. He was appointed by Mayor Richard Smith in September 2010.

Bluhm's term expired May 31 and he was not reappointed.

In another CSC vs. city clash on Dec. 11, 2012 the CSC voted unanimously to reinstate Taylor as chief of police after City Manager Kollmeyer had demoted him to corporal for six months.

At Monday's meeting, Councilman Fielder said he doesn't want people to think this charter change is a "stealth project" and when it gets closer to the election they should have a meeting with discussion so people in favor and opposed to the change can speak.

"The attitude shouldn't be that the council is changing the charter," Fielder said.

Wastewater System Improvements Grant.

The public hearing was scheduled for June 16 and there was a legal secretary typing notes into her device on what was said. She was reporting that this was all happening on June 16, because it was, but the minutes of the meeting would say June 2.

Councilman Tom Fielder started questioning the dates once the 30-minute public hearing closed.

The engineers from Hennessey Engineers, who had been preparing the sanitary sewer project plan to go to the DNR for a grant for over a year, agreed it would be a problem and, "The DNR would nail it."

Then, there was a bit of confusion at the council table and proposals about what to do.

The council opted to move the budget up to the top of the agenda and approve it and then adjourn the June 2 meeting.

But there still were problems with the numbers in the budget and so that discussion went on another half hour.

"I don't see an answer coming very soon and we've got to adopt the budget," said Mayor Conley. She suggested amending a line item and bringing the budget back for amendments.

"We know it's wrong, but adopt it as presented," Mayor Conley said.

Councilwoman Kim Tindall made the motion to adopt the budget as presented and Councilman Tom Fielder seconded the motion, which was unanimously adopted.

Then, at 8:32 p.m., the June 2 meeting was finally adjourned and the June 16 meeting started.

To make the public hearing right for the grant application, the public hearing opened again at 8:33 p.m. and a motion was passed to accept the previous presentation and comments at the June 2 meeting into the record of the public hearing at the June 16 meeting.

The legal secretary was a good sport about all the meetings and the turning on and off of her recording machine. After the second public hearing she was able to leave.

City Manager Diana Kollmeyer said

she searched through the city records and could find no record of the city recessing a meeting before or how to handle it.

In other business at the meeting with two dates, the council:

- Heard Wayne Mayor Al Haidous introduce himself and announce he was a Democratic candidate for Wayne County Commissioner, to fill the seat being vacated by Kevin McNamara, who is running for county executive. Councilman Fielder said he has known Haidous for many years and is endorsing him for commissioner;

- Noted they couldn't approve any minutes of the June 2 meeting because it wasn't over until that evening;

- Postponed consideration of Brian Copsey's request to have a Beer Garden open on the Fourth Street Square from 5 to 9 p.m. every Monday from June 2 to Sept. 29 during the car shows. Copsey couldn't wait for his spot on the agenda since everything was taking so long, so he left to get back to the Bayou Grill;

- Approved applying for a S-2 Wastewater

System Improvement Grant and approved naming Keith Tackett of Hennessey Engineers as the designated Street Administrator for the city of Belleville. The estimated cost to users for the proposed 20-year loan will be about \$517,000, which is about \$2.39 per month, per customer in the city. The project will extend the life of the existing sewer system. Copies of the plan detailing the proposed projects are available at City Hall for inspection;

- Approved the recommendation of the Cemetery Advisory Committee to allow benches with foundations to be placed within Hillside Cemetery with the recommendation of the administration; and

- Approved amendments to the 2013-14 budgets after telling Kelly Howey, the new bookkeeper from Plante Moran, that they like the amendments done in another more-detailed way. "We've always seen line items for every nickel and dime," said Councilwoman Kim Tindall.

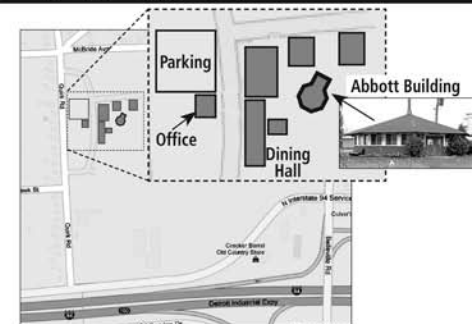


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Shooting

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He said he and his friend Amira were walking home from the store when Patrick came to his house and asked, "What happened to my weed?"

"I didn't see the gun," Strunk testified. "I heard a pop, looked down and saw blood coming from my face." He said his friend Amira was about five feet away but no one else was around. He started running toward his house, he said.

He testified the cops came and he was taken to the hospital for medical treatment and spent three days in the hospital.

He pointed to a scar on his left cheek where he said he got stitches. He said the bullet is still in his head under the right ear. He lost some teeth.

Patrick's defense attorney Michael Vincent pushed him to say other than all that there were no long-term effects.

Vincent cross-examined Strunk, telling the story and having Strunk agreeing. Vincent said Strunk is 16 and he and Patrick were good friends and saw each other every day. The night before the shooting he and Amira stayed overnight at Patrick's drinking and smoking weed at a party.

Strunk testified he got up at 11 a.m. that day and walked home, which was a couple of blocks away.

"You and Amira walked around town and went to the library," Vincent prompted and Strunk agreed he met Amira later.

Strunk said Billy works at the Lunch Box and they were waiting for him to get done with work.

"You were by your house and he wanted to know where some of his weed was?" Vincent asked and Strunk said that was true.

"Were you surprised your friend shot you? Think it might be an accident?" Vincent asked.

"If he hadn't been on pills that day, he wouldn't have done it," Strunk said.

Vincent pressed Strunk, asking if he ever said it might have been an accident.

Strunk repeated that he thinks Patrick wouldn't have done it if he hadn't been on pills.

"I never saw the gun," Strunk testified.

"Did you touch him?" Vincent asked and Strunk said he didn't. "I was pretty

scared."

He said his friend Amira was 15-20 feet away and he was eating pizza and had one pop in his hand and one in his pocket for Amir.

Strunk testified that Patrick left the area.

Vincent asked about Patrick's voice when he asked about the weed and the attorney spoke softly, asking if that's how Patrick spoke.

Strunk said Patrick spoke quieter than Vincent did when he asked, but, "I didn't have it."

Vincent got Strunk to say Patrick's tone wasn't hostile and it was the "same friendly tone as usual."

Strunk testified that between the hours of noon and 5:30 p.m. that day he met Amira at the library and then smoked marijuana in a place with a friend, sharing a bowl, and getting a fairly decent buzz.

"Mellows you out for a while," Vincent prompted. Strunk agreed and testified he took no pills that day.

When asked to identify who he smoked with that afternoon, Strunk refused to say, adding, "It don't have nothing to do with it."

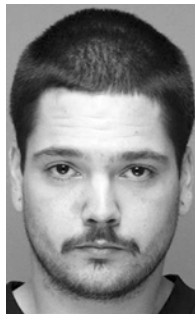
Judge Green ruled that Strunk will give the name to the prosecutor in private.

Prosecutor Lukiewski questioned Strunk again and Strunk testified that he was sober when he left Patrick's home at 11 a.m. and smoked around 1:45 p.m. Strunk said he was a regular marijuana user and it's not unusual for him to smoke marijuana throughout the day. He said its use doesn't affect his ability to recognize people and see what's going on.

Vincent asked if Strunk ever talked to Patrick's mom and Strunk replied, "I told her he never would have done it if he wasn't on pills."

The second witness called to the stand was Amira Parks, 17, who said that day Patrick was calling her and texting her over the missing 6 grams of weed. She said she and Strunk were at Frosty Boy.

She said she saw Patrick coming to Strunk's driveway and, "Billy didn't look happy." She testified he asked where his weed was.



Patrick

"I didn't see the gun," Parks said. "But I saw it happen. There was smoke and Tommy's blood gushing out. He [Patrick] had his hand up to Tommy's face and I heard a gun. No one else was in that area."

Parks said after Patrick shot Strunk, she saw him "take off."

"I went to the park and sat with my friend... I didn't know what to do. I was scared," Parks testified.

She said she spoke to Patrick.

"He told me it was an accident. He didn't mean to do it. Of course, I'm not going to believe that," Parks testified.

Vincent cross-examined Parks, with Vincent stating she was friends with Patrick for five years and with Strunk for eight years. Parks agreed.

Vincent stated Tommy and Billy were friends, good friends, and Parks agreed.

"I was Billy's girlfriend for 2-3 months," she testified. Before that, she was Patrick's girlfriend.

She said Patrick told her he thought the gun was unloaded and said that four to five times, calling it an accident.

Vincent asked if Parks talked to Patrick's mother and Parks said she did the next day.

"I said he was high on pills and stuff and I didn't think he'd have done it otherwise. I didn't use the term accident," she testified.

Vincent asked if the police asked her to call Patrick and she said they did and then Cpl. Todd Schrecengost talked to Patrick.

Parks said she stayed the night before the shooting at Patrick's house and Patrick was on pills. Vincent asked if it was speed, he described as "cheap cocaine," and she said he was on prescription-type pills.

She said that night they smoked marijuana and drank whiskey, a pint for 2-3 people. She said she smoked marijuana and drank two shots.

She said in the morning, Strunk went home and later she met him at the library. There was no more marijuana for her, she said.

Vincent had her describe the shooting again and asked her if she knew what a "rim-shot bullet" was. She didn't. He didn't elaborate.

Prosecutor Lukiewicz clarified that Parks said she saw Billy's hand near Tommy's face and Vincent objected, saying she hadn't said that before. Lukiewicz disagreed, saying Parks already testified, "I saw the hand by Thomas' face, heard the pop, and saw the powder."

Lukiewicz made a motion to bind Patrick over to circuit court, whether the gun was seen or not.

Vincent said the charges weren't correct and it sounded like an impulsive act.

Lukiewicz said he shoots him in the face and the bullet is still there. To shoot in the face, murder is the intent.

Vincent said there must be deliberation and Judge Green said deliberation can be a split second.

"This wasn't an intent to murder," Vincent insisted. "Why didn't he shoot him again and again?"

Judge Green said the assault with intent may be an overcharge, but she'll let them

deal with that downtown.

She said the prosecution is right that the totality shows probable cause. She said that Patrick didn't keep shooting doesn't detract from the first shot.

She ordered him bound over to circuit court for arraignment on the information and referred him to Pretrial Services for a bond review.

Stories of 'The Orphan Train in Michigan' set for June 19 at VBT Hall

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The Eichers will present a program on the Orphan Train in Michigan from 6 to 8 p.m., Thursday, June 19, at the board room in the Van Buren Township Hall. Admittance is free to members of the Belleville Area Historical Society and \$3 for other guests.

The first Orphan Train Riders (14 boys), arrived in Dowagiac, MI on a Sunday morning in late September 1854, traveling on the Michigan Central Railroad. By 1927, 43 Michigan towns received orphans from the "Baby Train," as it was sometimes called. Most of the children and teenagers came from the New York Children's Aid Society and the New England Home for Little Wanderers. Thirty nine percent were girls. Most children were never adopted.

The Eichers' television production company, Program Source International, has produced 20 Michigan town video histories since 1994. The motivation for producing "The Orphan Train in Michigan" was first discovered at the Oxford Historical Society while working on that town's history.

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Vena Mixon bound over on charges she drew gun, rammed bicyclist

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

Thirty-fourth District Court Judge Tina Brooks Green said she had a history with the alleged victim in a weapons assault case before her and while the woman may be a lot of things, a liar is not one of them.

After a preliminary exam on June 11, Judge Green found the prosecution had met its burden of proof and bound Vena Ezette Mixon, 47, of Sumpter Township over to circuit court on two charges of felonious assault – one with a car and one with a firearm – plus one charge of felony firearm.



Mixon

Mixon is out on bond and is scheduled to appear for an arraignment on the information at the Frank Murphy Hall of Justice in Detroit on June 25 where Judge Green said a jury eventually could determine the facts.

Although several witnesses were waiting in the hallway outside the courtroom to testify in the preliminary exam, the only witness called by Wayne County Assistant Prosecutor Ryan Lukiewski was Jordan Michelle Francis, the alleged victim.

Francis testified that on May 11 she and her friend Charles Campbell were on their bicycles in about the 46000 block of Judd Road. She said she was making a rock garden and was picking up rocks along the side of the road.

Francis said a charcoal Dodge Charger drove up and the driver, who she identified as Mixon, was taking pictures of her, so she posed and smiled. The car pulled up very close and Mixon reportedly asked Campbell if he was OK. Francis testified that Campbell said he was OK and why was she asking.

That's when Mixon reportedly said "These aren't the slavery days" and pulled a little gun in Francis' face. She said she turned her head and Mixon reportedly said, "Bitch, I will blow your head all over the road."

Francis said she was scared out of her mind and told Mixon that if she pulls the trigger she will end both their lives because Mixon will spend the rest of her life in prison. She said Mixon spit on her and knocked her off her bicycle with the car and sped off.

She said she didn't try to get away because she had been blocked in between the car and the deep ditch.

She said Campbell helped her out of the ditch and she rode her dented bicycle home "at 100 mph" to call police. She said she went to the hospital and she has pictures of the bruises all over, especially her left leg.

When asked if she knew Mixon, she said she has seen her at her next-door neighbor's house and she never had a problem with them.

Mixon's attorney Mary Yancy cross-examined Francis, asking if she said anything else to Mixon. Francis said when she kept taking the pictures, she told her to "F--- off!"

She said she has been in counseling as a result of the incident and has nightmares. She testified she is blind in her left eye.

Yancy accused Francis of lying about the incident and Judge Green cut that line of questioning short. Then, Yancy wanted to know when was the last time Francis worked and Lukiewski objected.

Judge Green told Yancy that this is a probable-cause hearing, not a trial. Yancy asked to go to the bench with Lukiewski to discuss the case privately with the judge.

When they came back, Yancy was permitted to continue the questioning on Francis' work history. Francis replied the last time she worked was when she was 19. She is 28 today and on disability, with physical ailments she listed, including bipolar disorder, depression, a head injury, and a back problem. She takes pain medication for severe migraines.

When Yancy asked if she has filed court cases, Francis said she has one civil case because someone owes her money. She confirmed she was in a lot of trouble as a teenager and had a shoplifting charge when she was younger, in 2007. She said she called police for domestic violence several times on the same person. She said her uncle was a former Sumpter Township detective.

"I can't believe this woman would pull a gun over nothing," Francis said during Yancy's cross-examination.

Then, Prosecutor Lukiewski called Charles Campbell to testify and Judge Green said further testimony wasn't needed for probable cause. She asked Lukiewski for a motion.

Attorney Yancy told the judge she and her client believe credibility is a factor. She said Francis is blind in one eye and said she "flew 100 mph" down the road toward home after the incident.

"When most of us see a gun, we don't stick around," Yancy said. "She suffers from illnesses which could cause testimony that's unbelievable."

"She may be scattered and not always focused, but my history with her shows her to be a lot of things, but not not-credible," Judge Green said. "She is a lot of things, but a liar is not one of them."

Lukiewski made a motion to bind Mixon over to circuit court and Judge Green did so.

The Sumpter Police officer in charge of the case is Detective John Toth.

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— Albert Einstein



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Sumpter Township Public Notice



NOTICE OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION OF ELECTORS OF SUMPTER TOWNSHIP WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

ALL ELECTORS ARE HEREBY GIVEN NOTICE a Primary Election will be held in Sumpter Township on Tuesday, August 5, 2014.

Electors who wish to vote in the general election must be registered no later than July 7, 2014. To register, visit any secretary of state branch office, the county clerk's office or local clerk's office.

If you wish to register at local clerk's office the hours are 9 am to 4 pm Monday thru Friday.

Sumpter Township Clerk
Clarence J. Hoffman Jr.
23480 Sumpter Rd.
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Sumpter Township Public Notice



Sumpter Township Regular Board Meeting Minutes May 27, 2014

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm by Treasurer J. Morgan showing present: Clerk Hoffman, Treasurer J. Morgan, Trustees: Bates, Hamm, P. Morgan & Swinson. Excused medical Supervisor Vawters. Also present Attorney Young, Deputy Clerk Hurst and approx. 10 residents.

3. Agenda: Motion by P. Morgan, supported by Swinson to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Public comments on agenda items only

5. Minutes:

A. Motion by Hoffman, supported by Swinson to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting May 13, 2014. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Warrants: Motion by P. Morgan, supported by Bates to approve the warrants totaling \$99,611.00. Roll call vote: Yes: Hoffman, J. Morgan, Bates, Hamm, P. Morgan & Swinson. Nay: None. Absent: Vawters. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Parks & Recreation/Chamber: Motion by P. Morgan, supported by Hoffman to approve the parks & recreation/chamber report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Attorney: No report.

9. Board Response

10. Old Business:

A. Motion by P. Morgan, supported by Hamm to approve signing the YCUA agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

11. New Business:

A. Motion by Hamm, supported by P. Morgan to approve resolution 2014-08 Small claims court

collection. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Motion by Hamm, supported by P. Morgan to approve to purchase a Kimtek Firelite skid unit for fire department cost \$9,980.00. Motion carried unanimously.

C. Motion by P. Morgan, supported by Bates to accept with regrets the resignation of Shauna Spoonamore, Jeremy Schrock, Alin Ureche, Michael Marecle & Jason Herman from the fire department. Motion carried unanimously.

D. Motion by Hoffman, supported by Bates to approve the yearly OSSI agreement of server for police department cost \$10,000.00. Motion carried unanimously.

12. Announcements

13. Open Floor

14. Adjournment: Motion by P. Morgan, supported by Hoffman to adjourn at 6:55 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Clarence J. Hoffman Jr., Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I, Clarence J. Hoffman Jr., Clerk of Sumpter Township, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of minutes taken at a Regular Board Meeting of the Sumpter Township Board of Trustees on May 27, 2014 at 6:30 pm at the Sumpter Township Hall, 23480 Sumpter Road, Belleville, MI 48111, County of Wayne, and that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meeting Act, being Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be available as required by said act.

Clarence J. Hoffman Jr., Clerk
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Court Watching:

Black bound over on Lake Pointe Pass home invasion charge

By Diane Madigan
Independent Court Reporter

Randy Eli Black, 43, has been bound over to circuit court to face a first-degree home invasion charge for a crime that occurred April 1 on Lake Pointe Pass in Van Buren Township.

Black appeared before 34th District Court

Judge Tina Brooks Green on June 11 for a preliminary exam with his court-appointed attorney David Lankford.

The exam was waived and Black is scheduled for an arraignment on the information in circuit court at the Frank Murphy Hall of Justice on June 25.

His \$25,000 personal recognizance bond was continued. VBT Police Detective Donovan McCarthy is the officer in charge of the case.

Other VBT cases handled by Judge Green on June 11 included the following.

Toriono Rahman Kent, 28, was arrested

in Dearborn Heights on May 25 on four weapons charges. He had an outstanding warrant for Nov. 13, 2013 charges in VBT for felonious assault and felony firearms.

Kent was brought to court from Wayne County Jail, where he is being held on a \$25,000/10% bond. Wayne County Assistant Prosecutor Ryan Lukiewski asked for the preliminary exam to be adjourned until July 2 because the witness/victim couldn't be in court, reporting he had a last-minute transportation problem. The witness lives on the east side of Detroit.

Kent's attorney Asharf Al-Awahieh asked for a personal recognizance bond, saying he has known Kent for many years and he has no record, just a HYTA (Holmes Youthful Trainee Act) marijuana charge 10 years ago.

Lukiewski took exception, pointing out this is felonious assault. Kent's attorney said Kent works with his uncle as a landscaper and has three children to support.

Judge Green adjourned Kent's preliminary exam until July 2 and released him on a PR bond stating that he is to have no contact with the victim. VBT Det. Mark Buxton is the officer in charge of the case.

Jeffrey Glen McFall, 26, appeared for his pretrial exam for domestic violence. McFall had a plea deal and pled guilty to assault and battery on Dec. 14. Judge Green deferred sentence for one year and fined him \$500.

Theron Neal Trosin, appeared for arraignment and pretrial exam on a domestic violence charge.

Trosin appeared with his attorney George Garis and accepted a plea agreement. He pled guilty to an assault on May 29 in exchange for one year probation, which would be dismissed after one year, and random alcohol testing. Judge Green also ordered \$300 in fines and costs and ordered no assaultive contact.

Belleville case

Dennis Patrick Helfrich appeared for an arraignment and pretrial hearing on an animal cruelty charge. A plea agreement had been worked out and agreed upon. Helfrich pled guilty to attempted animal cruelty on May 6 in Belleville when he locked an animal in a car.

Judge Green deferred sentencing for six months and if there are no other incidents it will be dismissed. She fined Helfrich \$300.

Officer in charge was Belleville Cpl. Todd Schrecengost.

Music Lakeside begins

At 7 p.m. Thursday, June 19, the Belleville Music Lakeside Series at Horizon Park starts off the concert season with The Paul Keller *At Sundown* Quartet performing its entertaining new jazz program celebrating the music of Hoagy Carmichael.

The Paul Keller *At Sundown* Quartet is made up of: Paul Keller, master string bassist, jazz composer/arranger, and world traveler; Sarah D'Angelo, vocalist / clarinetist and resident of Belleville; Steve Wood, saxophonist; and Duncan McMillan, pianist.

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With flower planting and purchasing winding down for the growing season, the folks at **Garden Fantasy** on Haggerty Road south of I-94 are offering a buy-2-get-1-free sale on any annual, perennial, or hanging basket with their business card ad in today's paper. Call (734) 699-7370.

Friends of Michigan Animals Rescue, based in Sumpter, is holding its monthly adoption clinic this Saturday, June 21, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the **Petco Westland** location on Warren Avenue across from the mall. Call (734) 461-9458.

The **Belleville Area Council for the Arts' Concert Lakeside Series** kicks off tonight with **The Paul Keller Quartet** (jazz), 7 p.m. at Horizon Park on High Street. Rain location is **First United Methodist Church**. The **BACA 2nd Annual Garden Soiree** is tomorrow evening, June 20, from 6 to 9 p.m. at two locations - 248 Rowland Street and 327 E. Huron River Drive, both in Belleville. The event features live entertainment, cocktails, hors d' oeuvres, auction items and more. Tickets are \$35 in advance, \$45 at the door. Tickets are available at the **Belleville Chamber**, **Garden Fantasy**, and the **Belleville Area Library**. Call (734) 697-8123.

Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice

Van Buren Charter Township Vacancy Announcement

Van Buren Charter Township Clerk's Office is accepting applications for a full time Elections Clerk. The job description is available at <http://www.vanburen-mi.org/about-the-community/help-wanted/> or Township Hall. Send cover letter and resume to Clerk Leon Wright, Township Clerk's Office, 46425 Tyler Road, Van Buren Township, MI 48111 or email Clerk Wright at lwright@vanburen-mi.org. This posting expires on July 3, 2014. Van Buren Township is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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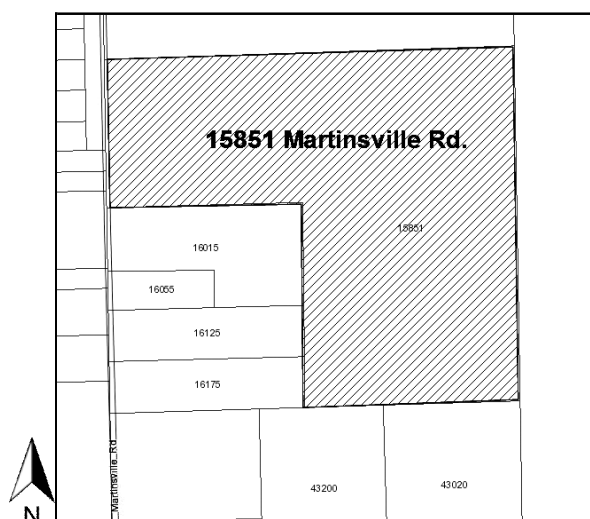
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Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Charter Township of Van Buren Planning Commission will hold a public hearing in the Board of Trustees Room, 46425 Tyler Road, Charter Township of Van Buren, and County of Wayne, Michigan, 48111 on **Wednesday, July 9, 2014 at 7:30 p.m.** to consider a Temporary Land Use request on the following described property.

Parcel number V125-83-138-99-0013-000, also known as 15851 Martinsville Road is the subject of this hearing. This site is located on the east side of Martinsville Road between Hull and Fret Roads:



The applicant, David Boughan, is requesting a Temporary Land Use that extends beyond two (2) consecutive weekends and may require a public hearing. This hearing is being held in accordance with the requirements found under Section 4.44 of the Zoning Ordinance, Temporary Land Uses, Buildings, and Structures.

Written comments will be accepted at the Department of Developmental Services until 4:00 p.m., the hearing date.

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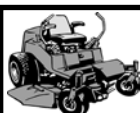
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between Belleville & Morton Taylor 6/26

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HELP WANTED

(Help Wanted continued from page 20)

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tiable (734) 461-6838 or email kova-
lak@comcast.net 7/10

Van Buren Township Police Dispatch Log

The following are selected calls for VBT Police.

Sunday, June 8:
0004 – noise complaint, Westlake
0032 – noise complaint, Parkwood Dr.
0349 – assault & battery, Belleville/Tyler
0943 – agency assist, Breakwater
0954 – suicide or attempt, N. I-94 Service Dr.
1352 – larceny, Van Buren Park
1352 – malicious destruction of property, Lake Villa Dr.
1412 – property damage accident, Belleville
1632 – property damage accident, Ecorse/Hannan
1802 – noise complaint, Bemis Rd.
1948 – assault & battery, Hardwood Dr.
2015 – harassment call, N. Timberview Dr.
2017 – malicious destruction of property, Belleville
2119 – fire investigation, Clayton Rd./Ayres Ave.
2228 – fireworks, Birch Dr/Maple Dr.
Monday, June 9:
0951 – assault & battery, S. Ponderosa Trl.
1056 – private property accident, Belleville
1219 – assault & battery, latlong - 42:15:45N,83:31:43W
1636 – larceny, Maple Dr.
1702 – agency assist, Beck Rd.
1952 – sexual assault, Jackson Ct.
2004 – unauthorized driving away of auto, N. Cumberland Dr.
Tuesday, June 10:
0811 – private property accident, Belleville Rd.
1147 – suicide or attempt, Riggs Rd.
1349 – larceny, Belleville Rd.
1537 – holdup alarm, N. Cumberland Dr.
1539 – suspicious situation, DNR Launch, E. Huron River Dr.
1628 – property damage accident, Denton Rd./Michigan Ave.
1703 – mental, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1950 – juvenile complaint, Kirkridge Park Dr. / Ecorse Rd.
2112 – narcotics crime, Kirkridge Park Dr.
2247 – disturbance, Sumpter Rd.
Wednesday, June 11:
0129 – hospice, Venetian Ave.
0324 – agency assist, Estrada
0543 – assault & battery, Meadows Ln.
1232 – narcotics crime, Rawsonville
1418 – personal injury accident, Ecorse Rd. / Jeremy Rd.
1431 – dumping complaint, Haggerty/L&W
1446 – disorderly conduct, Quirk Rd.
1450 – special detail, S. Wayne
1456 – harassment call, Ash Dr.
1557 – fraud, Belleville Rd.
1605 – larceny, N. I-94 Service Dr.
2124 – fraud, Belleville Rd.
Thursday, June 12:
0056 – property damage accident, WB I-94 / Haggerty
0204 – property damage accident, Haggerty Rd.
0632 – noise complaint, Parkwood Manor
0952 – larceny, McBride Ave.
1106 – trespassing, Tompkins St.
1111 – traffic hazard, Hannan Rd./N. I-94 Service
1122 – disorderly conduct, Sadie Ln.
1134 – larceny, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1233 – property damage accident, Haggerty/Tyler
1323 – fraud, Laguna Dr.
1423 – malicious destruction of property, E. Adams
1647 – traffic hazard, Belleville/Ecorse
1655 – juvenile complaint, Quirk/McBride
1709 – assault & battery, Hardwood Dr.
1713 – breaking & entering, Lenmoore Ave.
2135 – malicious destruction of property, Denton
2206 – fraud, Preswick Ct.
2355 – disturbance, S. I-94 Service Dr.
Friday, June 13:
0219 – suspicious situation, Chaney Ave.
0919 – harassment call, Farm Rd.
1302 – private property accident, Belleville Rd.
1343 – property damage accident, Belleville / Walgreen’s
1428 – fraud, W. Huron River Dr.
1519 – juvenile complaint, Tyler/Meadows
1709 – agency assist, Maurice Dr.
2057 – property damage accident, Tyler Rd.
2258 – property damage accident, Michigan Ave. /

Denton Rd.
2328 – noise complaint, Andover Dr.
2347 – fraud, Belleville
Saturday, June 14:
0032 – breaking & entering, Parkwood Dr.
0029 – fireworks, S. Ponderosa Trl.
0127 – noise complaint, Westlake
0611 – assault & battery, Crowley Ave.
0655 – water leak found, Stonebridge Dr.
0713 – private property accident, Sumpter Rd.
0845 – disturbance, Rose Blvd.
1036 – fraud, Laguna Dr.
1042 – private property accident, Juniper Dr.
1120 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
1129 – mental, Belleville Rd.
1315 – larceny, Burtrig St.
1425 – juvenile complaint, Quirk Rd. / S. I-94 Service Dr.
1436 – dumping complaint, Hull Rd.
1506 – holdup alarm, Rawsonville Rd.
1454 – property damage accident, Bemis/Haggerty
1553 – property damage accident, Wildbrook Dr.
1703 – assault & battery, S. Ponderosa Trl.
1700 – private property accident, Water Works / Belleville
1750 – robbery alarm, Belmont Dr.
1912 – property damage accident, Michigan Ave. / Denton Rd.
1920 – noise complaint, Country Walk Blvd. / Savage Rd.
2000 – noise complaint, Richmond Dr.
2107 – property damage accident, Savage Rd. / Haggerty Rd.
Also on this week’s log are 193 traffic stops, with 68 of those being on the I-94 and I-275 freeways.

Belleville Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, June 8:
0941 – domestic assault, Breakwater Dr.
1535 – parking complaint, E. Huron River Dr. / Haggerty
1552 – property check, Citgo
1627 – assist citizen, Victorian Lane
1817 – assist fire dept., Sumpter Rd.
1959 – intrusion alarm, Menlo Park Dr.
2011 – noise complaint, Estrada Dr.
2054 – agency assist, Quirk
Monday, June 9:
1210 – assist fire dept., Sumpter Rd.
1442 – civil matter, South St.
1549 – fraud, Church St.
1731 – agency assist, New Mexico
2041 – neighbor trouble, Carmell St.
Tuesday, June 10:
0835 – assist fire dept., Sumpter Rd.
1123 – private property accident, W. Columbia
1333 – malicious destruction of property, Main St.
1336 – welfare check, Fourth St./Main St.
2150 – suspicious person, W. Columbia Ave.
2234 – property check, Belle Villa Blvd.
Wednesday, June 11:
0040 – intrusion alarm, Henry
0106 – miscellaneous complaint, Main St./4th St.
0159 – parking complaint, Belle Villa Blvd.
0220 – welfare check, Estrada
1310 – civil matter, Carmell St.
1411 – harassment call, Carmell St.
1435 – found property, Main St.
1544 – larceny, Owen
Thursday, June 12:
0024 – suspicious situation, Owen St.
0428 – property check, Edgemont
0500 – assist fire dept., N. Edgemont Ave.
0821 – found property, Van Born/Wayne
0929 – private property accident, South St.
1336 – assault & battery, South St.
1400 – property damage accident, South St.
1622 – breaking & entering, Loza
1740 – background information, Main St.
1814 – unauthorized driving away of auto, Belle Villa Blvd.
1826 – miscellaneous complaint, W. Columbia
1920 – fraud, Carmell St.
2007 – unauthorized driving away of auto, Carmell
2108 – property damage accident, Church of God
2124 – traffic complaint, W. Waterbury Ct.
2315 – vehicle lockout, Potter Dr.

Friday, June 13:
0139 – property check, W. Columbia Ave.
0911 – animal complaint, Anaheim St.
1431 – miscellenous complaint, St. Anthony’s
1542 – welfare check, Family Dollar
1648 – parking complaint, Andrew’s
1846 – motorist assist, High/Church
1854 – suspicious person, Belle Plaza
1856 – motorist assist, High St./Edison St.
1906 – suspicious person, Sumpter Rd./Industrial Park Dr.
2144 – disorderly conduct, Main St.
2324 – suspicious person, Belle Villa Blvd./Astor
Saturday, June 14:
0107 – bank drop, St. Anthony’s
0929 – assist fire dept., Sumpter Rd.
0954 – intrusion alarm, W. Columbia Ave.
1234 – missing person, Main St./Third St.
1245 – private property accident, E. Huron River
1419 – civil matter, Potter Dr.
1427 – assist fire dept., High St.
1536 – civil matter, Main St.
1550 – parking complaint, Second St./Main St.
1551 – parking complaint, W. Huron River Dr./ St. Anthony’s
1627 – fraud, Main St./Third St.
1919 – suspicious person, E. Columbia Ave./S. Liberty St.
2142 – parking complaint, W. Columbia Ave.
2148 – larceny from auto, W. Columbia Ave.
2213 – juvenile complaint, Main St.
Also on this week’s log are 64 traffic stops.

Sumpter Township Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, June 8:
0013 – traffic hazard, Oakville Waltz/Sumpter
0022 – shots fired, 20000 bl. Crandell Ct.
0610 – alarm, Nevada
1023 – traffic hazard, 21000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1243 – animal complaint, 17000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1649 – civil dispute, 18000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
1714 – felonious assault, 43000 bl. Willis Rd.
1834 – fire dept. assist, 18000 bl. Elwell Rd.
2013 – fire dept. assist, Carriage Ln.
2107 – 911 hang up, 40000 bl. Willow Rd.
2155 – citizen assist, 28000 bl. Haggerty Rd.
Monday, June 9:
1005 – fire dept. assist, Utah
1040 – family trouble, 17000 bl. Lohr Rd.
1328 – 911 hang up, 17000 bl. Lohr Rd.
1352 – fire dept. assist, Walnut
1701 – assist other agency, out of township
1726 – suspicious incident, New Mexico
1856 – suspicious incident, 19000 bl. Elwell Rd.
1911 – family trouble, 21000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1930 – animal bite, 9200 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
2142 – juvenile complaint, 10000 bl. Rawsonville
2303 – alarm, 19000 bl. Haggerty Rd.
Tuesday, June 10:
0622 – well-being check, Willow/Sherwood
0847 – property damage accident, 10000 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
0902 – fire dept. assist, 47000 bl. Willow Rd.
1420 – traffic hazard, Judd/Martinsville
1843 – ORV complaint, 28000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1940 – assist other agency, out of township
2241 – property damage accident, Judd / Rawsonville
Wednesday, June 11:
0202 – animal complaint, 46000 bl. Willis Rd.
0517 – alarm, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
0755 – fire dept. assist, 22000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
1602 – abandoned vehicle, 49000 bl. Wear Rd.
1649 – malicious destruction of property, 46000 bl. Willis Rd.
1746 – civil dispute, 22000 bl. Fenster Rd.
1852 – subpoena service, 11000 bl. Rawsonville
2022 – breaking & entering report, E. Arizona
2118 – citizen assist, 45000 bl. Dunn Rd.
Thursday, June 12:
0106 – suspicious person, Bemis/Sumpter
1019 – fire dept. assist, 21000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1111 – alarm, 28000 bl. Karr Rd.
1629 – civil dispute, 19000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
1846 – suspicious incident, 22000 bl. Bohn Rd.
2204 – suspicious vehicle, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
Friday, June 13:
0223 – animal complaint, Willow/Sumpter

0303 – animal complaint, Willow/Haggerty
0606 – animal complaint, 25000 bl. Haggerty Rd.
0805 – assist other agency, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
0923 – runaway juvenile, 48000 bl. Bemis Rd.
0942 – suspicious incident, 49000 bl. Wear Rd.
1016 – abandoned vehicle, 26000 bl. Sherwood
1347 – animal complaint, 20000 bl. Sherwood
1431 – found property, 49000 bl. Sherwood Ct.
1702 – alarm, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1815 – noise complaint, 49000 bl. Willis Rd.
2047 – fire dept. assist, 46000 bl. Claxton Dr.
2133 – suspicious incident, 51000 bl. Willow Rd.
2143 – suspicious incident, 22000 bl. Prince Rd.

Saturday, June 14:
0910 – juvenile complaint, 23000 bl. Elwell Rd.
0923 – fire dept. assist, 19000 bl. Sharon Ct.
1111 – alarm, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1152 – shots fired, 43000 bl. Deborah Ct.
1317 – threats complaint, 25000 bl. Clark Rd.
1402 – animal complaint, Judd/Wilmot
1417 – assist other agency, 21000 bl. Fenster
1428 – warrant arrest pick up, out of township
1956 – fire dept. assist, 24000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
2221 – fireworks complaint, 19000 bl. Crandell Ct.
2235 – noise complaint, 26000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
2255 – loitering complaint, California/Delaware
Also on this week’s log are 14 follow-up investigations, 39 miscellaneous details, 185 patrol checks, and 60 traffic stops.

Things to do in the Belleville area...

• **Thursday, June 19** – “Orphan Trains of Michigan” with Al and David Eicher will be presented from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Van Buren Township Hall by the Belleville Area Historical Society. Free to members, \$3 for non-members.
• **Thursday, June 19** – Music Lakeside begins the season at Horizon Park at 7 p.m. with the Paul Keller Jazz Quartet. Free. Bring your own chairs. Presented by Belleville Area Council for the Arts.
• **Friday, June 20** – The Garden Soiree (second annual – used to be called Bach’s Wine Garden Party) will run from 6-9 p.m. at two private gardens in the city of Belleville to earn funds for the Music Lakeside Summer Concert series. Tickets \$35 each. Information, 697-8123.
• **Sunday, June 22** – Off-leash playtime at 2 p.m. with other friendly Pugs and Pug owners at the Wayne County Fairgrounds, 10871 Quirk Road, Van Buren Township. www.meetup.com/semichiganpugs
• **Thursday, June 26** – Music Lakeside at Horizon Park at 7 p.m. with The Stubbs Sisters (Motown). Free. Bring your own chairs. Presented by Belleville Area Council for the Arts.
• **Sunday, June 29** – Feral Farms’ CommunityGatheringBreakfastFundraiser for the Belleville Area Museum, 8 a.m. to noon, 10944 Tuttle Hill Rd., Willis. Proceeds benefit the Don Keene Memorial Fund.
• **Thursday, July 3** – Music Lakeside at Horizon Park at 7 p.m. with Bill Bynum (Bluegrass). Free. Bring your own chairs. Presented by Belleville Area Council for the Arts.
• **Sunday, July 6** – Bugles Across America is held at 7:15 p.m. at the Veterans Memorial on High Street in Belleville to honor military people serving and at rest with a brief ceremony.

FMAR reaches out to community for help for Gidget's heart surgery

The Friends of Michigan Animals Rescue are reaching out to the community for help with funds to operate on a puppy that could suffer heart failure without the surgery.

Marci LaFramboise, vice president and founder of FMAR, said they were given Gidget by one of the local animal control facilities.

FMAR found her to be a very happy

puppy. She's about six months old and is believed to be a dachshund/min-pin mix.

When they took her to get spayed, the vet told them that the puppy had a heart murmur and it sounded so severe he was hesitant to spay her.

So, they took her to a specialist at Michigan State University Veterinary Clinic.

The MSU specialist found that Gidget had a ring of fibrotic tissue causing a narrowing of her right heart ventricular area that would eventually lead to heart failure, if left untreated.

The specialist told FMAR it was really bad, but he believed he could fix it.

LaFramboise said the surgery costs about \$3,000, but she feels the adorable puppy is definitely worth saving. Gidget should be a normal, healthy pup that can live a normal life, she said.

The surgery will be a balloon valvuloplasty procedure. This involves a catheter being used to insert a balloon into her heart to widen the affected area so normal blood flow can resume.

The procedure is expected to provide Gidget with an increased stamina and energy level.

She may still have a slight heart murmur after it's over, but it shouldn't shorten her life if she has regular vet care, LaFramboise said.

"Once the word is out about Gidget, we know people will fall in love with this little girl and maybe help us out with her medical expenses.

"She is definitely worth a new fresh start," LaFramboise said.

Those interested in helping to pay for Gidget's surgery are asked to contact Friends of Michigan Animals Rescue at 734-461-9458.



Photo by Jessica Hassell
Gidget needs heart surgery.

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